

# MR. JEROME

Must Make the Next Move  
in the Thaw Trial.

## WHAT WILL IT BE?

The Defense Rests Its Case and Mr. Jerome Begins to Prepare His Campaign of Rebuttal.

New York, March 9.—The defense in the Thaw case rested Friday immediately after the convening of court and an adjournment was ordered until Monday. District Attorney Jerome said that while he had been informally notified Thursday of the changed plans of the defendant's counsel, he had come to court expecting to be confronted by additional expert testimony as to Thaw's state of mind. His witnesses were not ready, and it was upon this representation and with the consent of the defense that adjournment was taken.

The court proceedings occupied less than five minutes and District Attorney Jerome retired at once to his office and began preparing his campaign of rebuttal testimony. Almost his first move was to have a subpoena served upon Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw requiring her to produce in court any letters she may have in her possession written by Stanford White. The district attorney had Mae MacKenzie notified to be in court Monday prepared to go upon the witness stand. Miss MacKenzie has been under subpoena by the state ever since the trial began. She is the intimate friend of Thaw's wife and during the first stages of the trial the two were inseparable. Later, however, Miss MacKenzie has been seen but seldom about the criminal courts building.

It is said that Mr. Jerome has summoned Mrs. J. J. Caine, of Boston, who already has testified for the defense. Among the other known witnesses for the state are Drs. Bingham, of Pittsburgh, and Dr. Deeman, of Kittanning, Pa., the Thaw and Copley family physicians. The defense originally summoned these physicians, but Mr. Jerome has stated that the doctors can give very important testimony which the defense has failed to develop. The prosecutor has stated in court that he will call as an expert Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, who at first was in employ of Thaw's attorneys, but left the case when Thaw dismissed the firm of Black, Olcott, Gruber & Bonnyne, who were retained in his behalf by his mother's legal advisers. Drs. Austin Flint, Carlos MacDonald and William Moberg have been in the employ of the state ever since the Thaw trial began and have attended every session. They are prepared to testify at a moment's notice. Just what District Attorney Jerome intends to prove, or will be allowed to prove on rebuttal, remains as deep a mystery as ever. The prosecutor himself is probably at a loss to know how far he can go in attacking Evelyn Thaw's story and in adducing evidence tending to discredit her. His plan of campaign may be entirely changed at any time by an adverse decision from Justice Fitzgerald. Mr. Deiman, for the defense, undoubtedly will make Mr. Jerome's progress difficult by continued objections.

Mr. Jerome undoubtedly will again summon Abraham Hummel, a lawyer, to the stand to testify as to the affidavit Evelyn Nesbit is alleged to have signed, charging Thaw with cruelty because she "would not tell lies" about Stanford White. The prosecutor attempted to introduce this testimony by interrupting young Mrs. Thaw's narrative, but the testimony was barred at that time. Mr. Jerome believes that upon rebuttal Justice Fitzgerald will allow him a much wider latitude than was granted on cross examination.

Howard Nesbit was with the district attorney yesterday and it is said he will be called to testify that his sister told him Thaw had treated her cruelly while abroad in 1903, because she again "would not tell lies about Stanford White."

Mr. Jerome hopes by the brother to corroborate the testimony he expects to elicit from Abraham Hummel, the latter being under indictment at the present time for alleged subornation of perjury in the Dodge-Morse divorce trial.

There were many rumors current Friday of a serious estrangement between the defendant's family and his wife, and of the reported desire of the former to bring about a separation of the young couple in the event of a verdict acquitting Thaw. Howard Nesbit, brother of Mrs. Harry Thaw, is quoted as saying:

"The contempt of Yarmouth has said that she will not return to England until her brother and my sister have been separated. I did not know of this until my return from Pittsburgh, last Sunday. As soon as I arrived here I went to the Hotel Lorraine to warn my sister, but Mr. Deiman would not let me see her alone."

### Four Marine Disaster.

St. Johns, N. F., March 9.—A blizzard has raged throughout Newfoundland for 48 hours, blocking railways and damaging shipping. An unknown fishing vessel with a crew of seven men foundered on the south coast of the island and all hands were lost. The high gale drove three schooners seaward and the crews were obliged to abandon the craft to save their lives.

### A Sympathetic Strike.

Barnstable, O., March 9.—Seventy men employed at the Portsmouth naval plant struck Friday because the company of the plant took on a street car against their protests.



Pictorial comments on the second session of the Fifty-Ninth Congress.

### MINOR PARAGRAPHS.

The supreme court of Connecticut has just handed down a decision to the effect that barbers in that state need not shave colored men.

That William F. Walker, the defaulting treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., is also a forger to the extent of several thousand dollars is now asserted.

The United States grand jury at New Orleans has returned a number of indictments against citizens of Louisiana and other states on a charge of sending lottery matter by express.

The appellate division of the New York supreme court has decided against Mayor McEllan in his legal fight to prevent quo warranto proceedings for a recount of the votes cast in the New York City election of 1905.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has announced that all brakemen in the company's local service on the Schuylkill and Philadelphia divisions will be given an increase in wages amounting to 19 cents a day, advancing the rate of \$2.11 a day to \$2.30.

### Says They Found No Clue.

Chicago, March 9.—Chief Wilkie, of the secret service, who has been in charge of the investigation of the disappearance of \$175,000 from the Chicago sub-treasury, left last night for Washington. He said he had turned the case over to Capt. Porter, of the secret service. "We have found out nothing," said Wilkie. "At no time have we even had a clue that was worthy of any great consideration."

### Must Have More Pay or Strike.

Parsons, Kan., March 9.—At a meeting of representatives of the conductors and trainmen of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway held here Thursday night, it was voted to strike in case the officials of that system refuse the men's demand for an increase in wages. This action marks the first bolt on any of the 49 roads which took part in the recent conference of Chicago.

### Paris Electricians Strike.

Paris, March 9.—A general strike of the electricians here at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon placed Paris in semi-darkness and caused the greatest inconvenience. Several of the evening newspapers were unable to get out their editions. The strikers demand the fulfillment of the promises to improve their conditions which were made to them last July.

### Clerk Shot Six Holdup Men.

Bakhmut, Russia, March 9.—An unsuccessful attempt was made Friday to rob the postoffice at Pavlovka, where \$12,500 was on deposit. Twenty armed men gathered at the office and demanded of the clerk in charge that he turn over the money. Under cover of his desk the clerk, who was alone, opened fire on the would-be robbers, killing two of them and wounding four. The remainder fled, empty-handed, abandoning their four bleeding comrades to the police.

### Suffrage Bill Was Talked to Death.

London, March 9.—The bill to extend the right of suffrage to women was defeated Friday in the house of commons, where it was talked to death without coming to a vote. The supporters of the bill made a determined attempt to secure a vote, but the speaker declined to accept a motion of closure, and the sitting of the house was closed automatically at 5 o'clock. The bill is thus killed for the present session.

### REVIEW OF TRADE.

Traffic Conditions Improve, Increasing the Distribution of Merchandise.

New York, March 9.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Depression in the stock market did not extend beyond Wall street, commodity prices ruling high and general business continuing vigorous. The traffic conditions have improved somewhat, increasing the distribution of merchandise, and spring sales of dry goods have equalled anticipations. Retail trade is good for the season, and late buying of winter goods necessitated by the severe weather in many sections has depleted stocks in a most satisfactory manner.

A few trade reports tell of conservatism regarding operations for the future, due to high prices and tight money, but there is practical unanimity as to the activity of current trade, comparisons with last year's figures being almost always decidedly favorable. Several wage scales are under discussion that may not be settled without further enhancing the cost of production or operation, but no serious strike is anticipated and higher freight rates have become necessary on some roads because of increased expenses.

### A \$300,000 Fire Loss.

New York, March 9.—The building occupied by William Green, a printer from whose presses "Smart Set" and "Town Topics" are printed, was burned last night, causing a loss of \$300,000. Seventy-five girls were working in the place when the fire was discovered. All escaped without injury. The fire was in dangerous proximity to gas tanks of the Consolidated Gas Co. The firemen turned streams of water into the air in such a way as to form a water curtain between the blaze and the tanks until the 2,000,000 cubic feet of gas which the tanks contained could be drawn into reservoirs.

### Americans Arrested in Venezuela.

New York, March 9.—Rev. J. G. Van Slyke, pastor of the First Reformed church of Kingston, returned home Friday from a southern trip, during which he was arrested in Caracas, Venezuela. He was told that the Venezuelan law prohibited foreign clergymen entering the country. Through the efforts of the American consul, Van Slyke was released. J. Wallace Caldwell, an American mining engineer, was arrested by mistake for Van Slyke. Caldwell was afterward shot for alleged participation in a revolutionary plot.

### A Hero of Gettysburg Dies.

Marshalltown, Ia., March 9.—Ex-Mayor Nelson Ames, who was a captain in the civil war with a remarkable record for bravery, died Thursday night. He commanded Battery G, First New York light artillery, in the famous charge at Peach Orchard, Gettysburg, Pa., when the Confederate victory seemed assured. By an act of the New York legislature, a monument was erected to Battery G at Peach Orchard on the exact spot where Ames' guns stood.

### Lupton's Meeting Is Assailed.

Alliance, O., March 9.—Rev. Levi Lupton, the "gift of tongues" man, is conducting a meeting at Beloit, near here and making many converts. Thursday night Sanders' hall, where the meetings are being held, was stoned by indignant people, but the meeting went on. Many who have become converted prostrated themselves at the altar.

### A Terrible Fatal Explosion.

El Paso, Tex., March 9.—Advice received from Chihuahua, Mex., state that 25 men, women and children were killed at San Andres, 20 leagues from there, by the accidental explosion of a large quantity of dynamite.

# CAUGHT HIM.

Abe Ruef, Fugitive from Justice, Is Arrested.

## A STATE SENATOR

Who was Ordered by Judge Dunne to Find the Missing Boss of Frisco Did the Work.

San Francisco, March 9.—Abraham Ruef was arrested last night at a suburban resort by W. J. Biggy, who was piloted to the place by Detective Burns.

Ruef submitted to arrest and was brought to the city in an automobile. He was later taken to a hotel for the night.

Sheriff O'Neill and Coroner Walsh having confessed their inability to find and bring into court Abraham Ruef, the indicted lawyer and politician who has been declared by Judge Dunne to be a fugitive from justice, State Senator W. J. Biggy, a business man, was on Friday ordered by Judge Dunne to discover the whereabouts of the defendant in hiding and take him in custody.

The power conferred on Biggy as an assessor authorized him to take the body of Abraham Ruef, defendant in the case of the people against Abraham Ruef for extortion and to arrest and hold in custody said Ruef until the next session of the court, when you are directed to bring said Ruef to the presence of this court for trial as charged.

This was not the only development in Friday's proceedings in the Ruef case. Samuel Shortridge, attorney for Ruef, incurred a severe rebuke from Judge Dunne after an examination by Assistant District Attorney Heney into the incompetency of Coroner Walsh, appointed by the court as substitute for the disqualified Sheriff O'Neill, to arrest Ruef. Shortridge persisted in an effort to enter objection to a question put by Heney and would not be silenced by the court, who finally adjudged him guilty of contempt and sentenced him to 24 hours' imprisonment.

Shortridge, however, escaped immediate incarceration by applying to the district court of appeals for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that no contempt had been committed. The merits of this controversy will be argued before Justices Cooper, Hall and Kerrigan Monday. In the meantime Shortridge is at liberty on his own recognizance.

### Refused to Accept a Compromise.

Topeka, Kan., March 9.—The conductors and trainmen of the Santa Fe railway on Friday voted not to accept a compromise of a ten-hour day and a 10 per cent. increase in wages offered by the western railways at a recent meeting in Chicago. The men, however, modified their demand and now ask for a nine-hour day and a 12 per cent. increase in pay. The original demand was for a 15 per cent. increase and an eight-hour day. General Manager Hurley, of the Santa Fe, stated that the company would not concede the modified demand of the men, but was willing to arbitrate.

### Grand Jury Investigation Halted.

Columbus, O., March 9.—The grand jury which has been investigating charges of bribery against the Cleveland Trinidad Paving Co., officers and city officials here, adjourned Friday until Monday. The charges include alleged attempts by M. F. Brantley, of Cleveland, to bribe a member of the board of public service.

### A Case of Jury Tampering.

Bellefontaine, O., March 9.—A case of jury tampering was reported to the common pleas court Friday. Judge Broderick at once called upon Prosecutor Chamberlain to investigate. It is understood the effort to influence the jury was made in a case tried Thursday and which resulted in a disagreement.

### Ohio Leads in Child Labor Legislation.

Columbus, O., March 9.—State Shop and Building Inspector Morgan has filed his annual report for 1906 with Gov. Harris. In child labor legislation he says that Ohio leads the states. There were 311 prosecutions for the violation of these laws during the year, resulting in fines aggregating \$4,557.

### Instructions to Game Wardens.

Columbus, O., March 9.—In a letter of instructions sent to all deputy wardens in Ohio, State Warden Porterford orders wardens not to trap persons into offenses and declares that "Wardens who solicit authority to prosecute persons hunting without a written permit will be discharged. Arrests for hunting without written permit must not be made unless the owner files the affidavit or authorizes the warden to do so in writing. Wardens have no authority to arrest persons fishing legally on the lands of another as a permit is not required under the fish and game laws."

### Explosion Caused Disastrous Fire.

Cleveland, March 9.—The residence of Rev. Minot O. Simons, pastor of the Unitarian church, and F. B. Pearce, a wholesale wall paper dealer, at 1924 East Eighty-second street, was practically destroyed Friday in a fire caused by an explosion. Both men were away at the time. Electricians were rewiring the residence. One of the men allowed his torch to pass through an aperture. It came in contact with leaking gas. An explosion followed. Several firemen were injured while working on the fire.

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Toledo, March 9.—Johnny Blitler of Toledo, champion lightweight catch as catch can wrestler of the United States, defeated Walter Morrison champion of England, in two straight falls for the championship of the world at the Empire theatre here last night.

### Col. A. W. Lawson Dies.

Columbus, O., March 9.—Col. A. W. Lawson, who organized the first regiment in Ohio for the civil war, died Friday at his home near Sunbury. He was 80 years old.

### Bishop Tries to Settle the Strike.

Portsmouth, O., March 9.—Secretary Joseph Bishop, of the state board of arbitration, arrived here Friday to take a hand in settling the street car strike. The manufacturers have formed a protective association with a view of lending support to the company and to discontinue the taking back of strikers as union men. This action is expected to further complicate peace negotiations.

### Shot Himself.

Cleveland, March 9.—The police found a man apparently 40 years of age in a hallway on the third floor of the building at 1416 Prospect avenue Friday afternoon. He had shot himself with a revolver over the right ear and was unconscious. He was taken to a hospital. Letters were found in his pocket addressed to Harry D. Bert, contractor, 520 Prospect avenue.

### Passed a Low Fare Bill.

Bismarck, N. D., March 9.—The North Dakota legislature adjourned Friday. The closing session saw the passage in the senate of the 24-cent railroad fare bill and the anti-pass bill. These measures are now before the governor.

### A Sensational Contest for a Child.

Cleveland, March 9.—Two sensational kidnappings of the same child; a wild chase after the little one by its mother through the downtown streets, and a physical encounter between husband and wife at the entrance to the Union station marked the termination of the marital relations of Joseph and Agnelle Jerome at midnight Thursday. Friday Jerome was arrested on the charge of non-support. Little Oliver Jerome, their 5-year-old baby, was the pivot about which revolved the contest between the man and woman.

# Sporting Gossip.

An interesting visitor at the Yale club of New York recently was Harold Pape of England, who is widely known on the other side of the Atlantic as a steeplechaser, amateur horseman, and gentleman rider. He was one of a party of English gentlemen accompanying Lord Turnour, who arrived here on the Baltic. They were entertained by Brinton Buckwalter of the Yale club, where they will remain for a few days prior to going to Mexico. Mr. Pape talked entertainingly of steeplechasing on this and the other side, and spoke enthusiastically of the proposed international horse show to be held in London in June, in which Americans are to take a prominent part. "While as far as I am personally concerned I have never gone in extensively for horse shows, I have the sportsman's and the horseman's interest in them. Racing is my game, but I come into contact with those who are promoting the show at Olympia, and I can say that they are mighty keen for the international show. There is no doubt that it will be of immense benefit to sports on both sides of the water, for I do not doubt that you have as much to learn from us as we certainly have from you. Certainly international events of the kind are sure to be beneficial. The reason, no doubt, that I take no personal part in showing horses is that hunters and steeplechasers in which I am keenly interested have so small a part in the show ring. It seems to me the competitions held on these lines are mightily poorly conducted in England, and I hope we can improve them by contact with your methods. After all, though, racing is the real sport of horse interest. In steeplechasing and hunting meetings we have never had a better year than last year. Both classes of contests have been immensely popular, and I think are growing more so every season."

There is a whole lot more going on under that sorrel that of Manager Hugh Jennings of the Detroit baseball club than his modest manner would lead one to suspect. One of these instances came to light the other day when Jennings started out to hunt up an abode in Detroit. The new executive is a widower, and with his eight-year-old daughter safely in a convent boarding school, has no one to look after here but himself. Instead of finding quarters at some of the downtown hotels, however, he announced that he was looking for some quiet place just out of the swirl of the business section of town. "I want a place where I can be by myself after the game if I want to," he explained. "I don't mean to sidestep

the fans, and I'll be as ready as any other fellow to talk over our good games with people who make baseball possible by their support at the gate. But I don't want to get into any arguments with any sore losers. I'm too sore a loser myself to want to be round where postmortems of that sort are going on. I want to be able to go home and think it over quietly. If I got to discussing it elsewhere I'm afraid there might be some disagreements."

Jay Gould, the 17-year-old son of George J. Gould, has outstripped all other court tennis players of his age. He is a phenomenon at the game. Gould is the amateur champion of America, and has gained international distinction in the game by taking second prize in the contest for the British amateur championship. Young Gould presents a remarkable contrast to the usual run of rich men's sons. He is just a healthy, clean minded American boy, who has had more advantages, perhaps, than the average American boy. He is stepping into manhood unspolled by luxurious surroundings. To Frank Forrester, professional at Georjancourt, belongs the credit of having developed this new star in the tennis world. Jay was an indifferent player when Forrester took hold of him. His progress under Forrester's tutelage has been marvelous. Within a period of four months last year young Gould passed from novice to amateur champion. He is now renowned throughout the court tennis world.

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